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Inventor: Stephen A. Debellus  
Title: Armature Shaft Retainer  
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Application Number	09/293,455
Filing Date	April 16, 1999
First Named Inventor	Stephen A. Debellus
Art Unit	2834
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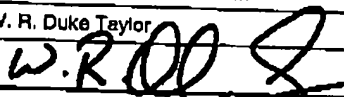
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